



Government offices in Saginaw, Bay City closed Monday due to snowstorm

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SAGINAW, MI — It is not uncommon for heavy snow and ice storms to close or delay schools from opening a handful of times each year in the Great Lakes Bay Region.

Much less often does severe winter weather cause governmental agencies and local businesses to shutter their doors.

But, after **a snowstorm of epic proportions swept through the Great Lakes Bay Region**

Jan. 5-6, some have already announced plans to postpone or cancel events, reduce regular hours or close completely.



Snowmobilers head down Van Buren Street at Hamilton in Saginaw Sunday afternoon, Jan. 5, during a snowstorm that hit the region.

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The Saginaw County Sheriff's office has announced it will be closed Monday, Jan. 6, along with the county courts at the Saginaw County Governmental Center and the county juvenile center.

In Bay City, the city offices will be closed Monday, according to a Facebook announcement from city staff. Trash pickup is delayed in Bay City by one day and the City Commission meeting scheduled for Monday night has been canceled. The next Bay City Commission meeting will be held Monday, Jan. 13.

The dire weather predictions have **caused many schools and universities across the region to cancel Monday classes** and caused some businesses, **like Birch Run Premium Outlets, to close their doors early** on Sunday.

Gov. Rick Snyder has announced that **most state offices will be closed in Lansing** Monday due to the storm. Offices remaining open, Snyder said, will be only those providing "critical functions."

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